

Ottawa, Week by Week

(By DEAN WILSON)

Moves and Motives

The Government in Ottawa has been expanding greatly its diplomatic representations in Latin America, and these latest moves have aroused much curiosity about this country becoming a member of the Pan American Union. However, it is reported in usually reliable quarters in Ottawa that these latest diplomatic moves do not necessarily mean that Canada will enter the Union shortly. It can be stressed that these moves are related more to economic purposes than it is generally realized, since such diplomatic representations may play an important role in the dramatic efforts of Canada to expand greatly her trade in these Latin American countries. Indeed, these new Canadian offices in Latin America are generally coupled with objectives for more trade, and are indications of considerable progress. In 1939, Canada's exports to Latin America were \$200,000,000, but in the year before last, these were over \$26,670,000. Likewise, there was a large increase in imports. One expert in this capital has estimated that Canada might see a \$50,000,000 a year export trade target in these new markets. In other words, if such an expansion was possible under the extreme wartime difficulties of shipping, shortages of supplies and other restrictions, it is held that the possibilities for Canada's economic expansion in this new field after this war are almost unpredictable. In short, it is claimed that, to some extent at least, these latest rapid diplomatic expansions in Latin American countries are not necessarily connected with Canada's immediate entrance into the Pan American Union, and that these moves may be made more with the economic design at this time.

Undercurrent of Disagreement

Beneath the surface of the dispute between Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec, and Premier Mackenzie King, over the request by the Provincial Premier that the Federal Government should first consult a Provincial Government before making any appointment of a Lieutenant Governor, is a sort of bitter contention. Gen. Sir Eugene Flax's five-years term as Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, had expired legally on Dec. 14, 1944, but no other appoint-

ment had been made on the ground that such a post is held during pleasure of the Crown. In other words the Federal Government does not make such an appointment, has held that a Lieutenant-Governor is the representative of the Crown in a Province and not a person such as contended by Premier Duplessis. Therefore, a Lieutenant Governor can carry on indefinitely under certain circumstances, and beyond the term of five years, with such precedents having already been set in Canada to other cases, including Lieutenant-Governor Matthew of Ontario, or Lieutenant-Governor MacNab of Saskatchewan.

Protest Curtailment

Delegations from the National Religious Advisory Council and the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada have held a private conference in Ottawa with the Governor-General, and it was reported along Parliament Hill that they have protested strongly against any further curtailment of Sunday religious broadcasting over both the C.B.C. and privately owned radio stations across this country.

Commonwealth Council

The Commonwealth Council will take part in the establishment and operations of a Commonwealth Air Transport Council in the capital where it was also disclosed that the functions of this Council will be to keep a watchful eye on the development of Commonwealth civil air communications to provide a medium for exchange of views as well as information on such matters, and to consider as well as to advise on such civil aviation affairs as any nation of the Commonwealth may desire to refer to the Council. The first meeting of this Council will be held in London, and the wartime membership will include the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, India, Southern Rhodesia, Newfoundland, and the Colonial Empire.

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WARMING UP



Values with that may be listened to ere are by ROYAL LANCES and ART BALLANTYNE.

Two singers heard on the Mart Kenney Music Club program. Shown just before going on the air, the singing pair join Mr. Kenney and the Club's ensemble on Monday, at 7:00 p.m. CDT, over CBO's Trans Canada network.

New Box Cars

The Grand Trunk Western Railroad has ordered 800 box cars from the Pressed Steel City Company, Inc., of Pittsburgh, Pa. It was announced by C. A. King, general manager of the railway company, that these cars, which are for delivery in 1945, are required to handle the ever increasing freight traffic over Grand Trunk lines. Of steel-constructed and with fixed construction and of 40-ton capacity, they will have an inside dimension of 50 feet, six inches long; also feet, ten inches wide; ten feet, six inches high. The exterior finish will be in standard box car red with white lettering.

Why Tolerate Warble Flies?

Lethbridge Experimental Station Warden Letter.

As soon as ground hog day is behind one is inclined to think of spring and the risk of work that accompanies this season. The prospects are that farmers will have a better season. Farm help is becoming more scarce and the demand for the same high rate of production of grain, large, and still evident.

There is the job of overhauling machinery, of cleaning seed, and the writer would like to remind you that the season for killing your cattle of warble flies is now at hand. To make it a real job, and not a little thing to be done in the winter, look over your farm and ranch of Southern Alberta. Did a will include the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, India, Southern Rhodesia, Newfoundland, and the Colonial Empire.

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be gained is no question. Whether the machine operating in your district is a private or government owned one, your support is needed. Your District Agriculturalist, who is co-operating with the Dominion Entomological Branch and the Lethbridge Experimental Station, will likely be in your district in the near future to organize this work. It is up to the stockowner to help coordinate the plan and to complete the job. In this way you can have warble free cattle and those protect them from the host fly. The result will be contained cattle, which in turn will mean more land and warble free hides.

WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. STRANGE
Director "The Crop Testing Plan"

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BUY! BUY! BUY!
WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

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BREWING INDUSTRY OF ALBERTA

Swiftly Resistant Wheat
L. B. Thompson, superintendent of the Swift Current experimental station, says that from less than fifteen thousand bushels of wheat resistant to rust will be ready for distribution next spring in southern Saskatchewan.

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Miss Ordinary: "Vitamin Lee."

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Deficiency of Moisture Reserves

Seattle rainfall reports indicate that the rains which occurred this fall were only 28 percent of normal. This, of course, means that farmers in moisture deficient areas to increase their crop of 1945.

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CANADA POST OFFICE

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YOUR PARCEL MUST FACE THE RIGORS OF WAR...

Your parcel must stand the weight of thousands more pressing down on it in the hold of a lurching ship at sea. It must stand rough transport, often under fire, over shallow-treads. Pack your parcels in corrugated containers, wrap in several layers of heavy paper and tie with strong twine.

DON'TS FOR SENDERS: Don't pack matches or lighter fluids. Don't send foods that can spoil. Don't send liquids in cartons or glass. Don't forget to affix complete return declaration. Don't use "tube boxes", they crush easily.

